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### **MEETING MINUTES**

**Meeting Date:** June 30, 1998  
**Meeting Time:** 10:00 A.M.  
**Meeting Place:** State House, 200 W. Washington St.,  
Room 431  
**Meeting City:** Indianapolis, Indiana  
**Meeting Number:** 2

**Members Present:** Rep. Susan Crosby, Co-Chairperson; Sen. Patricia Miller; Sen. Richard Young; Lisa Hays Murray; John Holmes; Gary Biviano.

**Members Absent:** Rep. Kathy Richardson; Sen. Joseph Harrison, Co-Chairperson; Rep. Ralph Ayres; Rep. Sheila Klinker; Sen. Glenn Howard; Ed Simcox.

#### **I. Call to Order by Maribeth Smith**

Indiana will not be hosting a reception at this year's NCSL (National Conference of State Legislatures) Annual Conference in Las Vegas. It has been a tradition at each NCSL Conference for the state that will be hosting the annual NCSL conference during the next year to host a reception to help build enthusiasm for following year's NCSL conference in their state. However, it has been determined that a reception hosted by Indiana in Las Vegas would probably not be well attended. Due to a lack of available space, Indiana would not have been able to host its reception in the Las Vegas Convention Center. Instead, Indiana would have been required to find another more remote location in Las Vegas for the reception. Therefore, it has been decided that it would be more prudent to take the money that had been originally allocated for the reception and instead apply that money to improve Indiana's exhibit booths at this

year's NCSL Conference in Las Vegas.

## II. Las Vegas Update by Ellen Rabinowitch

Indiana's exhibitor booth will be open at the following times and was described as follows:

On Tuesday, July 21 at 8:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m., the booth will feature a racing theme called "Race to Indy."

### **Race to Indy:**

- Meet Indy Car driver Johnny Unser
- Photo opportunity with a genuine race car and Johnny Unser
- Track side snacks available
- Registered drawing to win racing memorabilia and gift certificates for Ruth's Chris Steak House

On Wednesday, July 22 at 9:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m., the booth will feature a football theme called "Touchdown in Indy."

### **Touchdown in Indy:**

- Football toss - participants will be able to check their throwing accuracy with a football toss game called the Quarterback Challenge
- Photo opportunity with Indianapolis Colts cheerleaders
- Bags of popcorn available
- Registered drawing to win footballs autographed by #1 NFL draft pick Peyton Manning

On Thursday, July 23 at 9:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m., the booth will feature a basketball theme called "Shoot Straight to Indy."

### **Shoot Straight to Indy:**

- Photo opportunity with Boomer, the Indiana Pacers' mascot
- Hoop game
- Assorted snacks available
- Registered drawing to win autographed Pacer souvenirs

In addition, a compact disc will be playing in the booth featuring songs that relate to a racing theme, including racing acceptance speeches and Florence Henderson singing. A video will be set up in the booth that will have Speedway, Colts, and Pacers video footage. Cinergy, Colts, and Pacers shirts and jerseys will be worn by individuals who staff the booth. Local and state tourism brochures will be available at the booth. A pamphlet describing Indiana's exhibit booth was distributed to the Committee. The pamphlet is entitled "Three Great Days - Three Great Ways to Have Fun; July 21, 22, 23."

### III. Finance Committee Update by Ellen Rabinowich.

Ellen Rabinowich distributed to the Committee a revised NCSL budget handout entitled "NCSL Budget - Revised 6/22/98." The budget was revised because Indiana will not be hosting a reception at the Las Vegas NCSL Conference. The initial goal was to raise \$70,000 for Indiana's presence at the Las Vegas Conference.

With respect to the NCSL fundraising effort, George Fleetwood and Kevin Brinegar divided Indiana's population by industry, such as telecommunications, health care, and steel. Each person who raises funds has an area that they are familiar with. There are thirty companies that the Finance Committee believes will contribute money for Indiana's NCSL fundraising goals. The fundraising efforts are targeted at companies that are domiciled within or have a major presence in Indiana. A sponsorship packet has been sent to 500 companies.

Indiana's current NCSL budget is comparable to the budgets of Philadelphia and other cities that have hosted the NCSL Conference. After taking inflation into consideration, the current budget is also comparable to Indiana's NCSL budget when Indiana hosted the NCSL Conference approximately ten years ago.

Many thanks were extended to Kevin Brinegar and George Fleetwood for their excellent fundraising efforts.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

(Note that the pamphlet and budget handout that were distributed during the meeting are available at the Legislative Information Center, 200 W. Washington Street, Suite 230, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204. The telephone number of the Legislative Information Center is (317) 232-9856.)